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Two Interesting Mexican Specimens from Book of Mormon

Two Interesting Specimens from Book of Mormon. Left. Pottery Vessel from Oaxaca, Mexico dating to late Jaredite times. Right. Ancient incense burner from Southern Mexivo, with horns at each corner after the manner of ancient Israel. See Ezekiel 43:13-17.

Photos by Thomas S. Ferguson, May 1956.

Jaredite and Nephite Remains Discovered in Two New Sites In Southern Mexico by Field Expedition of NWAF

Thomas Stuart Ferguson, Oakland attorney, and his wife, Ester, returned in June from Mexico and Central America where they had visited the field expedition of the New World Archaeological Foundation. They reported that the work is going forward rapidly. Brother Ferguson, who is president of the Foundation, states that the discoveries to-date exceed expectations.

The work is presently centered along the Grijalva River on the Mexican side ot the Mexico-Guatemala border where, in January, an exploring party of the expedition discovered a large area which had been occupied during Nephite times by numerous inhabitants.

Not until May had the main body of the expedition moved into the zone to make test excavations. These test pits, opened while Tom and Ester were with the party of five archaeologists and thirty-five native laborers, were exciting from the Mormon point of view.

From the test pits came hundreds of beautiful ceramic sherds dating to Nephite times. The pottery is the same general type as was made in ancient Israel. Some of the incense burners, for example were apparently patterned after the alter of burn offerings in the temple of Solomon. Four horns project from the rim of the burners, as described in the Old Testament account of the alter of burnt offerings. See Ezekiel 43:13-17. The summer rains made it necessary to close the excavations at the border area, but they are still going forward at Chispa de Corza as the rains permit.

While in Oaxaca, Mexico, visiting a non-Mormon Mexican scholar. the. Fergusons learned of import-Jaredite records in the Book of Mormon. A series of early Sumerian (a region of the Trgrin-Euphrates valley) signs and symbols have been identified which strongly confirm the claim of the Book of Mormon that people of the third millenium before Christ came to Middle America from the Babylonian area. "These symbols and sighs are so intricate and so numerous that they comprise the most convincing evidence ever discovered relating to the Jaredites," Tom explained. "I am thrilled with these important developments." he stated.

Hundreds of Pyramids

The Fergusons observed over a hundred large and ancient man-made pyramids, platforms and mounds in the important zone before mentioned near the Guatemala border. Many of these have already been identified by the ceramics of

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Another Jewish Convert to Gospel Tells Experience Enlightenment

Letter furnished by Frank W. Otterstrom, Southern California Missionary to the Jewish People.

Inasmuch as you have requested that I write a letter that might be used in presenting the gospel to the Jewish people I am taking the liberty of quoting in full a letter I wrote for that purpose some months ago:

"I am pleased to do so, although the first thought that occured to me was one of reservation,—how could I prevent such a letter from giving the impression that I regard myself as "saved" or somehow better or superior to others. So I thought I'd say at the outset that I have only love and respect for my people. In fact one of the reasons I'm pleased to write this letter is in the hope that more of them may see fit to accept the gospel and receive the peace and joy that have come to me.

"One of the first things that impressed me about the Mormon teachings was their literal acceptance of the scriptures, including the Old Testament. I had been taught that it was mostly folk lore, poetry, and history, etc., but that there wasn't any unified doctrine running through it—rather that you could find authority in it for any conflicting interpretation.

"One of the first surprises I had was to find that when the Mormon teachings were applied to the scriptures, they just seemed to fall into place. On looking into the matter further I found also that one reason there seemed to be so much general confusion about the scriptures was because people put their own interpretation on them rather than accept their literal statements. And it was only when they were accepted at face value that they fell into the simple. beautiful and satisfying pattern that we call the gospel, that answers the vital questions of where we came from. why we're here, and where we may go.

"Realizing that the scriptures

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First Presidency Letter Regarding Summer Camps

Following are excerts from a letter dated April 30, 1956 regarding Church-Sponsored Summer. Camps. We are sure Messenger readers will appreciate having this word direct from the First Presidency, copies of which have also been sent from Salt Lake City to all auxiliary general boards and stake presidents.

"Dear Brethren and Sisters:

"Questions have come to us from various stakes pertaining to summer camps under Church sponsorship attended by our young people. Inasmuch as plans are now being made for summer camps for the 1956 season, we feel it wise to advise you of this matter as follows:

1. That so far as feasible, all

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Last Call 4-Stake Directory Ads

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MIA Has Successful Drama-Music Show In Sacramento

By Kirke M. Decker

A new and exciting dance-drama-music spectacle unfolded before an audience of several thousand spectators at the Hughes Memorial Stadium, Sacramento, when Division 12 of the Mutual Improvement Associations presented it first annual art festival Saturday evening June 2.

The spectacle, with participants from the eleven Northern California stakes and the Reno (Nevada) Stake, was a brilliant, moving blending of drama, music and song woven around the story of the "Happy Prince" by Hans Christian Anderson.

Backed by the fine dramatic work of a score of actors and the music of the 300-voice chorus, the dancers moved rhythmically in a blaze of color against the stadium's field of green. It was a fascinating performance equal to the color and as impressive as any offered by the June Conferences altho on a relatively smaller scale.

The music of the large chorus under the direction of Milford A. Piggott, Division 12, District, thrilled the audience with such selections as: "I have a Song to Sing", "No Man is an Island", "Give Me Your Tired, Your Poor' and "Prelude to Eternity".

The dramatic sequences were ably directed by Maurine Smart and faultlessly performed by twelve narrators and a cast of fifteen pantominists.

The entire production was directed by Raymond and Vada Crabbe, District B Dance Directors under the general supervision of Kirke M. Decker and Lorna C. Birchall, Division 12 Co-Chairmen.

Memories of Music of Years Gone By

By Nelle L. Macdonald

As I sat in the Oakland Chapel Sunday May 20th 1956 during their annual "Homecoming" services, and listened to the heavenly strains of music coming from the organ and choir and talented singers, memories of the music of the years gone by came flooding upon me.

I remembered the hours of enjoyment I had had playing that wonderful Austin organ and the many times I accompanied our gracious singers of yesteryear on that Knabe Concert Grand that still sounds as good as it did then. It has stood the test of years of playing. I remembered our search for that piano which we finally discovered in a storage warehouse. (It once had been in the John Spring mansion in the Berkeley Hills) and we bought it for $750, I recalled also the many hours spent by the music committee seeking just the right-toned pipe organ, and our pride and happiness when it was finally installed.

Then I remembered the musicians of that time—a long list of talented artists who gave of their time and talents without stint. There was Eva Curtis, my pal,—how we loved to hear her sing! Then Nell Sconberg, Carrie Moses, Jessie Lund, Veda Linford and Minnie Smith—They sang like angels. Naomi Groom who had such high hopes for grand opera. Where is she now? And did she make it? Walter Heder and his wonderful baritone voice,—did his ambitions materalize? Dorothy Dunyon, violinist,—where is she now? She was outstanding. She and Cleone Wilcox gave us many delightful numbers. Others I recall were Emma Russell, the Hughes, Heber Russell and his daughter, Mary.

Mormon Male Chorus

I recalled the years of musical treats the Mormon Male Chorus gave us under able direction of Bob Sant. What has become of that fine organization? Did it finally disband? And that brings to mind Afton Stout—we loved to hear him sing "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep." What a deep bass voice! He was always so ready to help in choirs, concerts, funerals, or as a soloist.

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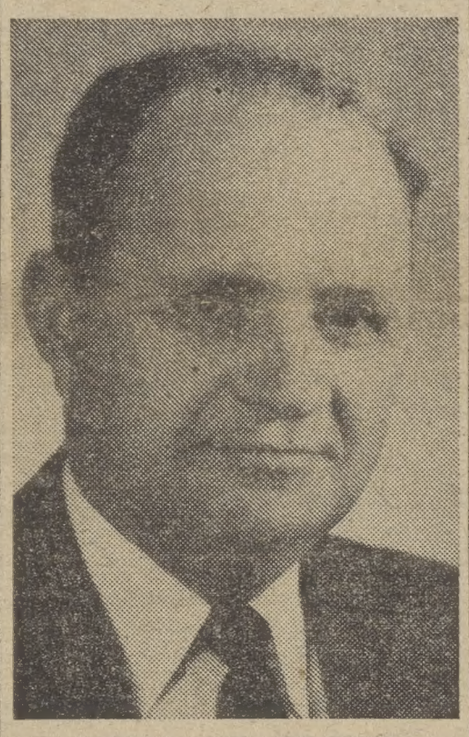

DELBERT F. WRIGHT

. . . Promoted by his company he leaves Oakland sorely missed by the local saints.

Life Sketch of President Wright, Oakland Stake

On June 5th, 1956, the management of General Mills Inc. announced that Delbert F. Wright, president of Oakland Stake, had been appointed to the position of assistant to the president of the company in Minneapolis. This news came as a great surprise and somewhat of a shock because the stake has had to face the fact that it is losing its stake president. President Wright has been in the Bay Region for thirty years and has worked very hard for the Church and for his company, and has endeared himself to the members of the Church residin here.

He and Mrs. Wright, the former Gertude L. Patten, came to Oakland in 1926 with their oldest son, Robert; a few years later "Pat" and Louanne came along to brighten their home. They look back upon these years now with loving memories of many wonderful experiences.

Shorty after President Wright came to Oakland he was called to work on the San Francisco Stake Young Men's Mutual Board in 1927 when the stake was first organized.

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FRANCIS B. AND ROSE WINKEL FAMILY
Back row—Mac, Richard and Linda. Front—Becky, Mother Rose, Rose Marie, Francis and Nancy.
. . . Francis was fifth bishop of Alameda; now serving as the first bishop of Centerville Ward, Oakland Stake.

Alameda Ward's Ten Year History Sketched Under Three Last Bishops

By Amelia Everett

Bishop Thys Winkel served almost four years and he accomplished much. His health eventually was broken and for severel years he suffered much. As soon as possible he got back into church work and is serving again on the Oakland Stake high council. He is also a class leader. In spiritual work he is going strong though his strength has not yet returned to normal.

George Pinckney Sr. had his heels crushed while working at Camp Shoemaker. He was lame for a very long time.

Oscar Fontano Sr. stepped on a nail and was painfully disabled temporarily. Other than these three mishaps all went well and everybody rejoiced at the completion of our modified Colonial type chapel with seating capacity of 227 persons in the chapel. The recreation room opening in the chapel accommodates 600 persons. All this comfort and beauty after twenty-four years of meeting in old halls was something to rejoice about!

Bishop Thys Winkel was released Nov. 13, 1949. The same day, Francis B. Winkel, younger brother of Thys became our bishop. He retained the same counselors, Charles H. Stamps and Donald W. Hughes. Allan J. Peterson was released Nov. 27, 1949 and Arnold B. Bangerter was sustained as ward clerk. Charles H. Stamps was released July 30, 1950 and Alvin Barlow was sustained first counselor. Later Floyd Severson became ward clerk.

Bishop Francis Winkel had been finance chairman for our building. He had proved his ability to raise funds. He now continued to raise funds until able to purchase the Hammond electric organ, and the Jr. Sunday School facilities including the little pews.

Francis Winkel is an exemplary LDS family man. His wife Rose is also a good example of motherhood, having proved that a busy mother can also be a great asset while attending other duties that fall to the wife of a bishop, and still keeping sweet. Five of their seven children were born while they lived in Alameda. Their fifth child Jan Paul also died in Alameda in 1947 at age 8 months.

The first missionary party under the new bishopric was for Bruce L. Morgan who was called by the former bishop. The party was held Jan. 18, 1950. Bruce served two years in the Southern States Mission.

Harold Clayson's missionary farewell testimonial was held May 31, 1951. He served in Mexico.

Gerald B. Crandall was sent to Western Canada. His party was March 8th, 1951.

The tithing and the membership increased during the two years that Francis served as bishop. After he was released he and his wife Rose presented to Alameda Ward the large painting of the Sacred Grove. It was painted by the head of the Brigham Young University Art Department.

OAKLAND WARD

Projector for Genealogy Work

The Oakland Third ward annaunces a project to aid in genealogical research.

There are 32,000 generalogical books in the Library of Congress films of which can be purchased, ward leaders announce.

The ward's latest purchase is on the Brown family of Derbyshire, England. The cost was only $5.50 for the film, and the book is out of print.

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SAN LORENZO WARD

Orvil Ostler Is High Council Alternate

By L. Wimmer

Brother Orvil Ostler was appointed as an alternate on the Oakland Stake high council this month.

The Mutual Improvement association has been reorganized with Leo Neakes, superintendent, John Morgan, manual counselor, Ronnie Buck, secretary. Sister Elifta Engberson is YWMIA president; Lois Debenham, manual counselor and Berma Cox, secretary.

Seminary graduation exercises were held June 3. The program was given by members of the seminary class, directed by their instructor, Leslie Wheeler. David Wimmer was awarded a pin and diploma.

David Wimmer has also been awarded a scholarship to BYU.

The Ream brothers, Allen, Russell and John are spending the summer at home with their parents. Allen has been attending college at Boston, Massachusetts. Russell has been at Carpenteria, and John has been at San Rafael, California.

President and sister Ream were called to Los Angeles by the death of President Ream's sister who was killed in an automobile accident.

Bob Wimmer spent a few days at home on his return from the BYU before going to Camp Merriwether, Oregon, to serve as Waterfront director, for the scout camp this summer.

Sister Mabel Shumway of Winslow, Ariz. has been visiting with her son, Richard Shumway, and his family for a few days.

The Morris Williams family have moved to Utah.

The rummage sale sponsored by the Relief Society was a great success. The Relief Soviety held its closing social this month. It is reported they enjoyed a program and refreshments.

An interesting program was offered Sunday June 3 by the Sunday School.

Weiner Roast

May 31st, ward members were treated to a weiner roast at the site of the new church.

Frank Morn who has been attending the BYU this last year was baptized and became a member of the church during the winter.

Chester Christiansen was baptized on 3. His wife, Pearl Christiansen, was baptized last year; she is counsellor in the Relief Society of this ward.

Four members of the John Giblin family were baptized on June 3rd. Klifta Engberson, president of the YMMIA will spend a week at the BYU attending the teacher training school there.

Mrs. Ray Chugg is spending a few weeks in Idaho with her parents.

Ed Brown, son of Lowell and Helen Brown is home on vacation from Logan, Utah, where he has been attending Utah State College for the past year.

Mickel Ringwood and Jimmy Dunn are new deacons in our ward. ward.

Connie Smith has returned home after a visit with relatives and friends in Salt Lake.

Iris Smith is suffering with a broken foot.

Lois Debenham is convalescing after an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Osmond will return to their home in Sat Lake after an extended visit with their families. Mr. and Mrs. Osmond are the parents of Mrs. W. R. Wimmer.

Our ward is growing in numbers steadily, many new recommends are read each month. We welcome these new members and hope they will be one with us.

Bettie William and Linda Crane received rose pins for their MIA Joy awards Sunday June 10.

OAKLAND STAKE

Pres. and Gertrude Wright Honored At High Council Social-Farewell Party

President and Mrs. Delbert F. Wright were honored Thursday June 2 at a party given by the Oakland Stake high council and their wives. The happy affair was gigven prior to the president's leaving the stake because of his call by the General Mills company to their home office in Minneapolis to act as vicepresident.

The great promition, however, came as a sudden and sad surprise to the members of Oakland Stake where he has been the loved president so long. Every good wish is extended to Delbert F. and his charming wife Gertrude.

The James Muirs spent their vacation in Santa Barbara visiting the family of their new daughter-in-law, Grace Kerr who was married to Eugene Muir June 6 in the Los Angeles Temple.

Grace is the daughter of Hank (deceased) and Grace Kerr and a great granddaughter of Samuel Smith, brother of the Prophet and the first missionary of the Church. Eugene and Grace were given a reception in Oakland June 9.

The Oakland Stake Relief Society will hold a rummage sale September 5 in St. George Hall, Oakland. They ask that we all set aside rummage for this occasion which is for the benefit of the stake building fund.

Oakland Stake was host for the two-stake Relief Society convention May 22.

Castro Valley Ward improved their chapel building fund nearly a $1000 as a result of the successful carnival in the ward recently. The Alameda Scouts likewise caught the spirit of the stake building fund and raised $80 in a minature carnival of their own.

Vacation time has taken Pearl Meine and Ruby Ostler to Utah.

Don Harrison, who teaches seminary and public school in Alameda, has taken his family to Provo where he is attending the BYU summer school.

Oakland III and IV ward's joint seminary held graduating exercises June 10.

A farewell party was held June 17 for the charming Eleanor Goodsell who is leaving for the Eastern State Mission. (Picture and story next month) . . . Mary Russell accompanied her son Clyde to Salt Lake City and did genealogical research while he was in the mission home.

A trip to Japan was enjoyed by the Relief Society of Alameda Ward June 12 when Ona Patterson exhibited hundreds of art and antique articles from that land at a luncheon party closing the year's activities.

Alameda Ward

Two Girls Honored For Writing, Acting

By Amelia Everett

Cheryl Gustaveson won a Silver Medal as the annual Lum Historical Award for her essay "The Coming of the Mormons." She read the essay at the graduation exercises.

Karen Multz who is a member of the Alameda Little Theater Group, was chosen to star in a demonstration for 2,000 clerks on how to act during a robbery. The two hour series of dramatic acts was designed to acquaint them with the techniques of "Till tappers" and how to act when they see a gun muzzle and hear a command to "hand it over." The program was sponsored by the East Bay Grocers Association, the Police Department, store management, and labor. It was at the Oakland Auditorium Theater.

June (Radabaugh) Tolman has moved back to Alameda. She has been chosen as the new dance director for the ward.

The Primary's Family night of drama and bake sale, June 15, brought over $80 for the Stake Building fund.

The Church-cleaning party had a good turnout and shining results.

Bishop Bangerter and wife have returned from a tour of Utah, Idaho and Canada through which they visited their several children.

Johanna Herrmann is visiting her daughter Gertrude Evans in Utah.

Ethel Larson took her little grandson William Carl and visited her daughter in Los Angeles.

Ardith McClellan and children are flying back to Utah to live. Brother McClellan is going to the University of California.

The Eliasons have had visitors from Utah, Mr. and Mrs. Parkinson. Mr. Parkinson is the brother of Emma Fliason.

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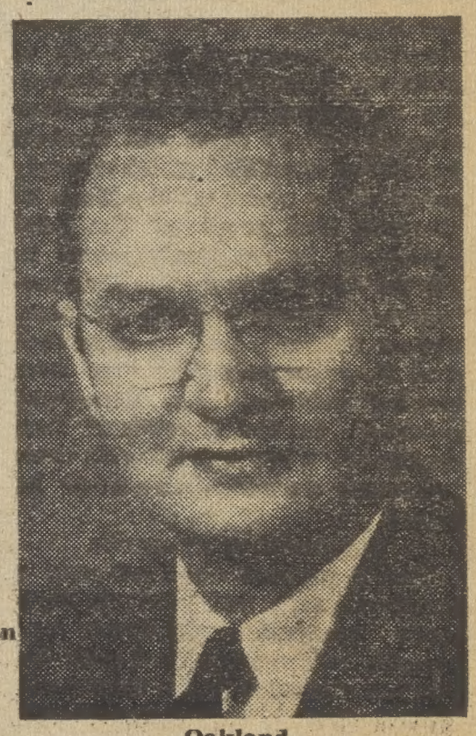

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The Church dedicated a $1000,000 softball park in Salt Lake June 12.

Oakland Ward Presents Musicale

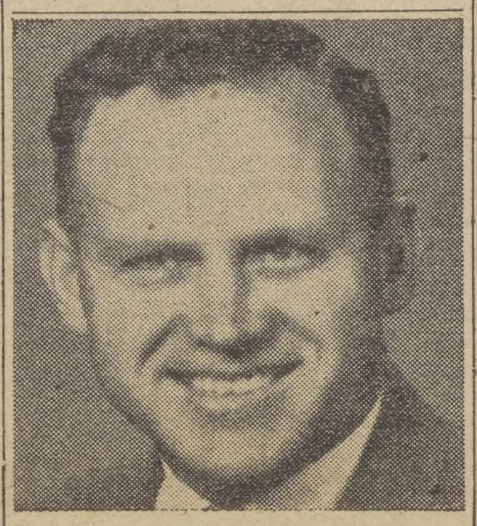
By Elaine Evans

Oakland ward may well be proud of their achievements in music. And the program presented by the choir members will long be remembered by those who heard it on the 8th of June.

From the moment Sister Verna Johnson arose to direct the choir the audience felt an awareness that the program would be exceptional. Each number that followed gave evidence of a spirit of beauty and unity of effect.

The audience was made conscious of the relationship of poetry to music as Phyllis Warnick, narrator, inroduced various numbers with poetry.

Credit is also due to Donna Carter, who served as accopanist, as well as to the outstanding choir with the solo voice of Richard Johnson. Choir arrangements included trumpeters William Boulton, Charles Greenwood and Hamilton Howell. Also participating were Eva Schleich, soprano, Melissa Brewer, harpist, Donna Lee Wall, violinist, Estherella Olszwka, soloist, and Donna Turner Smith, pianist.



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Largest Mural Painting in an LDS chapel in Northern California—perhaps in all California—was recently unveiled in the new Oakland Fourth Ward chapel. Shown is the Alameda artist Beatrice Ash, who did the painting as a free-will offering, tho a nonmembtr.

Anyone Else Like Help To Stop Smoking?

A stake missionary in San Francisco wrote a letter to the editor that has caused us to wonder if there are others who can be aided in the Lord's revealed way to stop smoking, namely by building up the body's resistance against the craving for tobacco's "lift," and this thru the simple way of nutrition. The book referred is a dollar book, but free on loan to anybody, anywhere, anytime, day or night!

Heres the letter:
Dear Brother Ball,

Thanks so much for the book "The Nutritional Way to Stop Smoking." Wish I'd had it back when I quit the habit. Hope to loan it out to the contacts in my stake missionary work."

Latter-day Saints might well remember that the Lord in the Word of Wisdom is wiser that most of us because he joins the request to stop use of stmulants of all forms with the dietary that will produce the sense of well-being the lack of which makes it so easy to take up and so hard to leave off the habit of using stimulants-as smoking and drinking and the hot cup of tea and coffee. Who has the right to separate what the Lord has joijed together, namely the request to stop stimulants and the proper dietary to give mankind pep, vitality and long life? Does anyone have that rights?

Stake's Beautiful, Largest Mural Unveiled In Oakland Fourth Ward's New Chapel

The beautiful mural, "On the Road to Emmaus," was unveiled Sunday, June 10, after Sacrament meeting at the new Oakland Fourth ward chapel. Presiding was Bishop Curtis R. Bybee, with Counselors Leland Wright and James C. Nackos taking part in the unveiling.

The picture, which is now located in the foyer of the new building, was painted by Beatrice Ash, a noted art teacher in the Bay area. Although she is not a member of the Church, she contributed the painting to help beautify the new structure. She painted the mural in four panels, then, after they were placed in the chapel entrance, she completed the painting.

Mrs. Ash attended the College of Arts and Crafts, the University of California, The San Francisco Art League and studied with many noted painters. She is a charter member of the Alameda Art association and the Eden Art guild, and a member of the Hayward art association. She has been a consistent prize winner in numerous exhibits and fairs.

Many of her relatives and friends attended the unveiling ceremony which included a program and refreshments. Chairman for the evening's arrangements was Wendell Martin.

The program included: invocation, Geraldine Compton; vocal solo by Jean Bramwell, accompanied by her sister, Bonnie; remarks by Bishop Bybee; response by Beatrice Ash; solo by Jean; benediction by her father, Dr. A. K. Bramwell; and as the picture was made ready for dedication and the overflow crowd moved into the foyer, John Nelson gave a scriptural reading.

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Can Oakland Stake Missionaries Make Higher Standings Among Stakes?

The Oakland Stake Mission has 98 listed missionaries at the present time, including the presidency. All are active with the exception of five who are temporarily delayed because of illness.

Church statistics show that the Oakland Stake mission ranks eighth among all stake missions for convert abptisms and excellent proselyting work. However, the mission presidency is aware that much improvement can yet be made; all missionaries are urged to better their records.

A new plan is now in operation placing two missionaries in chapel foyers each Sunday, before and after meetings, to display tracts and pamplets, and make appointments to answer questions on gospel subjects. In this way many sincere investigators not otherwise contacttd will have the opportunity to hear the missionary series of lessons and discussions.

To See Temple Visitors

Plans are being made also to contact all those within the Oakland Stake mission area who visited the Los Angeles Temple before its dedication. Cards with names and addresses have been sent from the Los Angeles Stake. These are sorted out and given to the appropriate District Presidents who in turn assign their missionaries to call on these people. It is hoped that this will be the means of bringing some inactive members as well as non-members into the fold.

Fourteen more converts entered the waters of baptism in June. The Oakland Stake missionaries continue to plant the seeds of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in many hearts through their persistent and humble efforts in this fruitful field of labor.

First Presidency

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camping carried on under Church sponsorship should be limited to six days duration, Monday through Saturday, including travel time.

2. That where camps extend beyond that period, the following suggestions are offered:

a. There should be no Church-sponsored travel to or from camps on Sunday.

b. That a member of the bishopric of the home ward of any ward camping group or some other authoried Melchizedek Priesthood holder be assigned the responsibility of supervising the camp religious activities on Sunday. These meetings would include a priesthood meeting and Sunday School. During the afternoon a regular sacrament meeting may be held.

Fireside Meets

This may be followed in the evening with an MIA or fireside type meeting. Suggsted programs may be obtained for these fireside meetings from the Mutual Improvement Associations.

d. If a troop of Scouts or other organized group under Church sponsorship, were to go away on a summer hike, not to an organized camp, they should be encouraged to limit such hikes to the period of Monday to Saturday, exclusive of Sunday. If on special occasions such trips are longer, the president of the stake or the bishop may appoint a bearer of the priesthood to conduct Sunday services.

e. In summer resort areas such as the National Parks, or in non-denominational camps neighboring stakes should take the responsibility of conducting services for members of the Church employed or visiting there, in harmony with the above suggestions.

Faithfully yours,
DAVID O. MC KAY
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LIAHONAS CLUB

A summer Social June 30 will be held by the club members and their wives at 7:30 at Haycock's 1398 Hays, San Leandro, (just off 14th Street) Wendell Martin and Louis Johnson are framing the program. There'll be lighted candles, soft lights, music, dancing if you like it. Call Dale Roe, 5327 Hillen Dr., Oakland or TW. 3-5870.

July General Meeting At the usual Robin Hood Inn on Grand Avenue at 7.

Obituaries

Oakland 4th. Frank Blair Ellsworth, husband of Minnie Jane Fisher Ellsworth, well-known LDS genealogist died in his Oakland home May 8 and was buried in Idaho Falls May 14, 1956. Services were held in the Idaho Falls Third Ward, Bishop B. L. Harris, officiating.

Alameda. Ethel Eliza Welsh Cullen died June 2nd. at the home of her daughter. She was for many years a faithful member of Alameda ward. The funeral was held in Alameda June 5th.

Births

Walnut Creek: June 16th was a proud day for Pres. and Leona Dehlin for they became the grandparents of a girl born to David and Nan Dehlin.

Alameda: To Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gilmore (Rosalie Millie) a son, Kenneth Stephen Jr. was born June 17th.

The Kenneth Spackmans, formerly of Alameda, report the birth of Michael Andre June 12th. in Brythe, Calif.

Troop 4 Boy Scouts Win Superior Rating

By Arlene Woods

Troop 4 Boy Scouts won a "superior" rating at the Oakland Council Scout-O-Rama, June 1 and 2, the highest award given. Scoutmaster Bob Enz and assistant Louis Johnson and members of the committee worked with the boys to set up a canoe care and repair, and canoe camping lay-out.

On June 6, 18 attended the visiting teachers' party in the new Relief Society room.

Jane Lauper has been released as visiting teacher supervisor and YWMIA secretary. Nana Folkman has been sustained as new YWMIA secretary.

Dale Roe has been released as secretary of the Aaronic Priesthood under 21. He has assumed new dutie as stake secretary. Earl M. Phillips has been sustained as ward secretary. For five years, Earl and Dale worked together while Earl was stake secretary and Dale was ward secretary.

Sister Ruth Shearer has been released as Relief Society secretary.

Full-time and stake missionaries have been quite busy. Recently we welcomed these converts in our ward: Tom O'Connor; Arlie Helen Snarr (wife of A. L. Snarr); William W. Maden, Lea Maden, and their children, Jo and Carolyn.; and Loretta Parker, wife of Glen Parker.

Bp. Curtis R. Bybee On H. S. Program

The Baccalaureate services for Fremont high school graduates, June 3, included a representative of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

When the program was first drafted, it was proposed that a representative of the Catholic, Jewish and Protestant faiths participate. When the chairman of the student committee learned from one of her classmates that members of the LDS church do not consider themselves Protestants, the Committee added to their list Bishop Curtis R. Bybee of the Oakland Fourth Ward. This made possible Bishop Bybee sharing in the occasion with his daughter Joanne who was graduated this year.

The Protestant representative gave the invocation, the Catholic the benediction, Bishop Bybee the welcoming address, and the Jewish representative gave the Baccalaureate.

San Leandro

Ward Building Fund Banquet Successful

By Lorna Beach

Our Building Fund banquet was a success in every way. The dinner was delicious and the entertainment was enjoyable. The bishop wishes to express his appreciation to those who supported this affair which was held at Haycock's Steak House.

We are proud of the young girls in our ward. Five were presented with their Silver Gleaner Awards at Sunday Evening Services; Donna Schipper, Janet Haycock, Laurel Ewald and Shirley Irwin.

Many of our young people have returned home from college to spend the summer with their parents: Janet Haycock, Donna Schipper and Joan Heath returned from Brigham Young university and Bobbie Du Bois from Santa Rosa Junior college. Pat Meuter has returned from Cottey College in Missouri.

Marla Urish and Phyllis Lloyd have joined the Air Force and are stationed in Texas.

The Harold Hansen Family and The Merlin Hathaway's had the wonderful experience of going through the Temple in Salt Lake City and being sealed for time and eternity.

The Russell Heaths

The Russel Heath's recently returned from a trip to Southern California where they had the privilege of going through the Los Angeles Temple. Verna Jackson is visiting her Son, Bill and his wife, Audrey, in Washington, D.C. This is the first time she has seen her new grandson who was born in April.

A stork shower was given for Naomi Randall at the home of Alice Bauer. A delightful evening was enjoyed by the faculty of the Ward Primary. Naomi is a counselor.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to the Henry Winter family in the recent death of Rose's father, R. H. Conley, who lived in Sacramento. Also to the Roy Bauer's, Alice's mother, Sister Lloyd, of Salt Lake City passed away last month.

Sister Helen McBride is convalescing at her home after a recent illness. We wish her a speedy recovery.

President Wright

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He had had several years experience in M.I.A. work in Ogden, Utah. He became a member of the Elmhurst bishopric in 1832, serving for five years.

For the next five year, beginning in 1937, he was a member of the Oakland Stake high council. He was called into the stake presidency as a counselor in 1942, and in 1949 was sustained as president of the Oakland Stake. He is also now serving as chairman of the Regional Council and chairman of the building committee for the Inter-Stake Center.

Blessed With Success

President Wright feels that much of his business success is a result of his activity in the Church; he has always been willing to accept any call that has come to him even if he has found that between his work and the Church duties he has had very little leisure time, although he enjoys fishing, hunting, golfing and playing with his grandchildren whenever an opportunity arises.

Following his schooling at Weber Academy and Weber College in Ogden, he began his work as an accountant in Ogden for the Sperry Flour Company in 1923. Three years thereafter he was transferred to San Francisco, where over the years he has served in a number of capacities, including chief accountant and office manager, assistant comptroller of the Sperry Division, followed in 1943 by the additional appointment as comptroller, Sperry Division and assistant secretary and assistant treasurer of General Mills, Inc.

In the fall of 1955 President Wright was selected by his company to attend the thirteen-week Advanced Management Program at the Harvard School of Business Upon completion of this courses he returned to San Francisco. In a short time came the new appointment to the position of assistant to the president of General Mills, Inc. in Minneapolis, where he will report for duty June 25th.

From LDS Family

President Wright comes from a stalwart Latter-day Saint family. His father was Joseph Kalan Wright, whose father, Joseph Wright came from Philadelphia and pioneered in Utah's beautiful Cache Valley in 1861. His mother was Ellen Bingham, a daughter of Sanford Bingham, the first assessor and collector of Weber County Utah.

Delbert and Sister Wright have eight grandchildren, five boys and three girls, who are the joy of their lives; this makes it doubly hard for them to leave, as their three children now reside in California.

Sister Wright, besides assisting her husband in his many positions, has been active in church work, having served on the Primary Stake Board, in the Stake Relief Society as counselor, chairman of L.D.S. girls for three years and a teacher in Primary and M.I.A. in Dinmond Ward.

She also comes from pioneer stock, being the great granddaughter of George Goddard, the great Sunday School leader in the early days of Utah. She will remain here for a short time with their daughter, Mrs. Curtis Finch (Louanne) of Livermore, while attending to matters relative to moving before joining Brother Wright in Minneapolis.

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Many Interesting, Successful Women Cited As Career Women in San Francisco Stake

By Mabel Liddell

There are so many interesting Latter-day Saint women following business and professional careers in San Francisco area that it is not possible to write about many in one article. However, there is one outstanding characteristic that is common to most of these women; they entered the career field not primarily for monetary profit but because they recognized a need and strove to fill it.

Such has been the impelling force behind the "Janene", modiste shop proprietored by Sister Irene Weeks and her daughter Janet Keihl of Mission Ward. Their business name is a combination of both first names. Sister Weeks has been designing and making wedding outfits for years in her own home and she felt there was a growing need for women's clothing that would be charming and beautiful but most of all conforming to Latter-day Saint standards.

Her idea proved correct; although their business is only a little over a year old they already have had to move to larger quarters and employ help. They specialize in wedding outfits, and design really lovely garments well within the financial reach of all.

Other Artists With the Needle

Sister Grace Gordon of Balboa ward also an artist with the needle, has been a designer and cutter for "Madame Alma's" on Post Street for many years. They specialize in custom-made suits, dresses and coats; also wedding outfits. Sister Gordon states that her firm has been in business in San Francisco for many years and in some cases they have outfitted as many as three generations of ladies in the same family.

Many of our LDS women are engaged in the teaching profession. Sister Bessie Schettler of Balboa ward has the honor of being head counselor at the new Herbert Hoover Junior High School where she is in personal contact with nine hundred fifty students. She has also taught and inspired young people for a number of years in other junior high schools in the field of English and speech.

Gladys Metcalf

Sister Gladys Metcalf of San Francisco Ward has been chosen president of the San Francisco branch of the American Association of University Women for the second year and has been elected by her colleagues as president of the faculty association at Lowell High School for this, their important centennial year. Lowell claims the honor of being the oldest high school west of the Mississippi River. Sister Metcalf teaches foreign languages and is proud of the many honors her students have won in this field. Sister Marie Wheeler of Balboa ward is well known for her excellence in the field of home economics at Polytechnic High School.

There are many others giving constant inspiration and assistance to school children in San Francisco schools, the value of which cannot be measured in dollars and cents.

In Railway Offices

Veda Bramwell of San Francisco ward is secretary to the auditor in capital expenditures department of the Southern Pacific Railway. In this capacity she handles all personnel in that department which gives her many opportunities to teach the gospel by way of action and example.

Sister Marilyn Stewart of San Francisco Ward is a parole officer for the California Youth Authority. In this office she finds constant opportunity to be an aid in rehailitation of delinquent girls when they are in desperate need. Marilyn is young and vivacious and thoroughly enthusiastic about her work. She serves in the northern California area, and algreat deal of traveling she finds time to, teach the teen-agers in her own ward Sunday School.

Sister Bridget Berry of San Rafael Ward has built an interesting and stimulating career. She is a body contour specialist, and has now trained several assistants in her work of correcting faulty posture, poor carriage and overweight by purely natural methods of diet control, exercise and scientific manipulation. Doctors send to her patients' suffering from nervous disorders, and the therapeutic value of her treatments have given amazing results.

She now has four salons in Marin County. Sister Berry has found her work a wonderful avenue of teaching the gospel along with stimulating health and beauty. With few exceptions her clients ask for church literature and one is now attending church regularly.

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San Francisco Stake Calendar

JULY—1956

1 Sun Fast Sunday
2:30 pm Bishoprics and Stake Presidency.
5 Thru 7:00 pm Stake Melchizedek Priesthood & Senior Aaronic Pr. Com.
8:00 pm Stake Presidency & High Council.
16 Mon 7:00 pm Stake Aaronic Priesthood Committee meeting
7:45 pm MONTHLY STAKE PRIESTHOOD MEETING
19 Thu 7:00 pm Stake Melchizedek Pr. Comm.
7:45 pm Heads of Auxiliary Organizations, Stake Pres., & High Council. (Aug. calendar dates to be checked)
22 Sun High Council visits to all Wards.
2:30 pm Stake Sunday School Monthly Prep'n. meeting.
23 Mon 7:30 pm Stake MIA Leadership meeting.

Social events:
14 Sat Stake Dance 8:30 p.m..
17 Tue M-Men—Gleaner Outing at Sigmund Stern Grove 6:30 p.m.
21 Sat Pioneer Day Outing.
28 Sat M-Men—Gleaner Outing at Fairfax, Calif.,
Leave Stake House at 9:30 a.m.—followed by:
Evening dance at San Rafael Ward

Ward Clerk Asks Ward Members To Check Records

By Everett C. Henry,
Mission Ward Clerk

To all ward members:

It comes to my attention that many ward members are not aware that they should call to the attention of the ward clerk who handles the membership records, any change of address, upon moving, any birth into the family, all marriages within the family, divorces, or any and all matters that may tend to help us keep better and more accurate records.

Recently I had the occasion to call a family for more information regarding their child who had been baptized, and would you believe it—I did not have the parents' certificates of membership. They were under the impression their certificates were in the record book.

We are a church of record and records and humbly solicit your help in doing a better job.

I would welcome all members who would care to come into the office, when convenient, to check their certificates to see if they agree with their family records. Please bring certificates of blessing, baptism, priesthood ordination, marriage, birth, temple marriage and sealings, endowments, and any and all pertinent data.

It is surprising to note, as I recently had occasion to find, a male member had been ordained an elder (by the entering of a wrong date) even before he was born.

Brother or sister; are you sure your record is as it should be when we are to be called up to give an accounting?

May the spirit move us to get our records in order as soon as possible.

Everette C. Henry.
Mission Ward.

MISSION WARD

First Duty To God Award, S. F. Stake

By Helen Stolzenburg

A proud mother pinned on her son the first "Duty to God" award to be presented in San Francisco stake. Receiving the award was Donal Edward Kolb, son of Brother and Sister Tawannee Kolb of Mission Ward. Donal played saxaphone in Poly High School band, sang in the acapella and madrigal. Played on the baseball team.

Bishop Joseph Harper is very happy to have had the opportunity of presenting the first Duty to God Award in San Francisco Stake and was thrilled with the outstanding manner in which Donal has carried on all of his assignments.

Visiting at the Hyrum Meecham home, on the return from his third mission to New Zealand was Bryant C. Meecham. In San Francisco to meet their father was her daughter from Ogden and Z. C. Meecham.

HAROLD P. GUBERNICK

. . . the Book of Mormon record of one great missionary effort to convert the Lamanites is responsible for aid to send this man to preach to the Lamanites today. Sunset Ward

Recent Convert Accept Call

Harold Payne Gubernick recently released from active service in the United States Army with headquarters at the Presidio in San Francisco has accepted a call to serve the Church in the Spanish-American Mission where he will preach to many Lamanites.

This young man, a convert of 15 months, is a demonstration of the effect the gospel can have in one's life when it is fully acepted and wholce-heartedly embraed.

A very spiritual testimonial was accorded Elder Gubernick in the Sunset Ward, Sunday evening, June 17th. He entered the Mission Home in Salt Lake City June 20th.

As a special feature of this missionary call we recognize the efforts of the sisters in the ward who have raised sufficient funds as a special project to provide a missionary to the Lamanite people. This project was commenced following a stimulating lesson in the ward Relief Society on missionary labors to the Lamanites as recorded in the Book of Mormon. The sisters have underwritten the necessary expense in

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Balboa Mission Seminary Holds First Recognition Services at Season's End

By Alma Libby

On the evening of June 7th the Balboa Second Ward-Mission Ward L.D.S. seminary conducted its first recognition services in the Mission Ward chapel, honoring those students who have completed their first year of seminary study and acquainting parents and friends with the valuable training that has been going on and will continue in the autumn.

This being the pioneer year in San Francisco for seminary study and as graduation requires the completion of three years or work, these exercises were in the nature of recognition serveces. Graduation exercises will take place after the three years study.

Presiding were President Wallace N. Allred of the San Francisco Stake presidency, Bishop John O. Breckon of Balboa Second Ward, and Brother Vinal R. Lefler of the Mission Ward bishopric. The program was condicted by Leon F. Liddell, the seminary principal and teacher. Music was furnished by the seminary students under the direction of Patsy Unck and Irma Williams, choristers, and accompanied by Sonja Swenson, seminary organist. Two choral numbers were presented and also a vocal trio by the Teo boys, Lueli, Maataua, and Mafi.

Program Presented

Invocation was offered by Gary Sherwood, class president; benedication by Mary Carlson, class secretary-treasurer. Class history for the year just closed was highlighted by Sheile Unck, class historian. Interesting and inspirational talks were given by Gary Sherwood on the subject "What Seminary Has Done For Me" and by three senior students, Leuli Teo, Patsy Unck, and Sonje Swenson, on different unit subjects taken from the New Testament course they have engaged in. Principal Liddell presented interesting facts and figures regarding the seminary year, appreciation for the training and education that is being offered, and the hopes for the future.

One-year seminary pins were presented by Bishop Breckon to the following students completing the New Testament course: Mary Carlson, Sandra Hunter, Sharon Hunter, Linda Laws, Alma Libby, Joan Libby, Gary Sherwood, Sonja Swenson, Lueli Teo, Maataua Teo, Mafi Teo, Patsy Unck, Shela, Unck, Irma Williams.

Bishop Speaks

Brother Lefler and Bishop Breckon both paid tribute to the seminary for its accomplishments and expressed their hopes that more would take advantage of its unusual opportunities for religious education and training. President Allred commended those responsible for the efforts of the past school year and for establishing counsel to the youth of the church, and reminded all seminary students of the great opportunity and challenge facing them to teach the Gospel of Jesus Christ in their words and actions.

A very timely and inspirational sound-color film, "Oliver Cowdery and His Testimony," was then projected by Howard Jones. This splendid picture, secured from the Brigham Young University) with its impressive message was thoroughly appreciated by all who attended.

Recent Convert

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connection with this missionary service. This is a worthy project and we commend all who have generously responded to it.

We are happy to add Elder Gubernick's name to the list of worthy young men representing Sunset Ward in the missionary field.

Local Seminary Girl Wins Scholarship

By Leon F. Liddell

PATSY UNCK

. . . this Balboa Second Ward girl, a Lowell High honor student with a A-average, and an A-grade student at the local LDS seminary now goes to the "Y" on scholarship.

Miss Patsy Unck of the Balboa Second Ward-Mission Ward L.D.S. seminary has just recently received a special scholarship in dance from the Brigham Young University and commendation from that institution for this high achievement—one of two awards of this kind made throughout the United States. This scholarship will cover tuition and fees for the coming autumn quarter of school.

Miss Unck, very happy about this attainment, is now planning her Fall residence at the "Y", and intends to work for the renewal of this scholarship. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Unck of the Mission Ward and one of five children, all of whom are active in church work.

Patsy has been very outstanding scholastically and also in her church endeavors. She is a charter member of her seminary and an "A" student; also she has served during this pioneer year as the seminary chorister. She has now graduated from the Lowell High School and with an "A" average for her three years of high school work. She had served for a semester as president of her Sophomore class and the following year did likewise while a junior. While a high senior and after three years as a student of modern dancing, she was elected as dance manager by the girls of the school and taught dancing to the new girls and beginners. Patsy has also been active in forensics, but her major interest is science. She will continue at Provo to work for her degree in this field.

Previously she attended the Horace Mann Junior High School and there for three years maintained a rating as an "A" student, and later received a merit award for this accomplishment.

At present Miss Unck is president of the Mission Ward junior-gleanor girls. Twice she has been president of her Sunday School class. Also she has been chorister for the Primary and has conducted the summer dancing class for that organization.

Jewish Convert

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made sense when accepted literally and only then—seemed to open a wonderful door to me. If they did present a unified pattern perhaps they could really be relied upon to answer the above questions from the point of view of Judaism. But I found that the Old Testament led dircetly to the New Testament and the Book of Mormon. And, taking the Old Testament at face value, it would seem that it should be so. If God does not change and He had prophets and current scriptures in former times, you'd expect them to continue. And I was impressed by the fact that the Mormon Church claims both prophets and modern scripture.

Have Authority

"Another thing that impressed me was that the Jews in Old Testament times were in very much the same position that the Mormons are in today. They claimed to be the only people who had the priesthood of God or the authority to act in the earth in God's name and perform sacred ordinances in temples. In fact, as you know, the priesthood in those days could only be held by descendants of Levi, one of the sons of Jacob. And apparently the Lord supported them in that stand as witness the incidents of Korah and Uziah in the Old Testament.

"Even in New Testament times there were priests among the Jews, as distinguished from rabbis who are merely teachers and claim no priestly authority. Yet today there are nopriests in Judaism claiming authority from God. But the Mormons not only claimed to have priesthood and authority from God, but there appeared to be a great number of well attested incidents in which the intervention of the Lord recognized that authority, just as the Lord recognized the authority of His servants in ancient days.

"Another thing that greatly impressed me was the Mormon teaching about God—particularly that He is a personal God. I'd never been able to quite conceive of the sort of God I'd been taught about—a formless, shapeless influence. And I'd never done much praying, perhaps because praying to such a God did not have very great significance to me, although I was able to get a considerable spiritual lift from it. But when I learned to whom I was praying, my prayers had a new meaning, and I made them a daily habit.

The Book or Mormon

"I read the Book of Mormon and was impressed with it beyond words. I definitely felt that it was not the work of man's learning or ability, but that it was scripture of the same order as the Bible.

"My feeling then was that I would make the Mormon philosophy my own (which I suppose I had already done) and live by it, but without joining the Church. I felt that it didn't matter what church a person belonged to, and I could have the benefits of the Mormon way of life without joining a Christian religion, which would mean disagrace and hurt to my family and myself.

REDWOOD CITY WARD

Talent Night Has Large Audience

By Gay Taylor

"Talent Night" at Redwood City ward, June 5th, provided a variety show of fifteen acts, under the direction of MIA activity counselors Burton Howard and Rose Parker. More than sixty people participated in the evening's entertainment, which was warmly received by a large audience. A sale of baked goods and refreshments following the show provided funds to send Mptual girls of the ward to Camp Liahona this summer.

The program provided a piano solo, skits and blackouts, dances, serious and comic songs, and a pantomine act, climaxed by a group reading of Act III of "The Man Who Came To Dinner.'

For the past several weeks the Mutual girls have participated in a baby sitting pool to raise funds for summer camp, and Bishop William R. Callister has given assurance than every girl who wishes to go will be given the opportunity.

Ward Cub Pack Wins Top Award At Scout-O-Rama

By Gay Taylor

Redwood City Ward's Cub Pack 127 won highest awards in the San Mateo County Scout-O-Rama June 1 and 2, and Submaster Melton Johnson proudly hung the blue ribbon on display in the lobby of the ward chapel.

Pack 127 also took second place in the Thunderbird district in ticket sales, competing not only against Cubs but Boy Scouts, Sea Scouts, and Explorers as well.

Theme of the prizewinning display and demonstration was paper, the uses to which it could be put. "The kids did all the work of trimming the booth," Cubmaster Johnson reported. "And I think we won because of that."

Total ticket sales for the pack were $275, high-scoring boys being Wayne Allred ($33), Richard Harris ($30), and Richard and Henry Thomas ($25 each).

San Bruno Ward

Second Year Memory-Quilt Given Bishop T. J. Curtis

By Donna Peterkin

San Bruno Ward celebrated its second anniversary by presenting a memory quilt to its beloved Bishop Thomas J. Curtis on May 18. The quit, which depicted memorable events in his life was signed by members of the ward who contributed $130 to the building fund. The Primary prepared a roast beef dinner and several organizations presented skits, dance groups and musical numbers.

Twelve excited youth of San Bruno Ward treked to Sacramento for the dance festival on June 2. The dancers were trained by Robert and Charlene Denny who are recent converts. Their dance instruction has sparked much enthusiasm among the young dancers. Six singers also qualified for the trip to Sacramento. Most of the singers planned to go to Salt Lake City for the M.I.A. Conference.

Imagine the thrill experienced by her ten classmates and her Junior Gleaner teacher, Jean Steed, when Nola Mayer was elected Stake Junior President at the elections held in San Mateo on May 28. The duties and privileges that are hers now include working with a stake youth council to plan activities.

At the Northern San Mateo County Scout Camporee held on May 29-30 a patrol representing San Bruno Ward won the second place award. The beads which were presented to them were strung and are displayed over the patrol flag.

Ten San Bruno Ward members are numbered among Palo Alto Stake missionaries. They are Geo. Fejes (district president), Thomas Eaton, Bob Davies, Russel Jordan, Marvin Michie, Orson Waldron, Pete Peterkin, John and Lorena Waggoner, Grace Thomas and Merilyn Leavitt.

LANDELL WALLWORK, REDWOOD CITY WORD, whose farewell was held June 17th before leaving for the Western States mission.

Landell Wallwork, Athletic Director, Leaves on Mission

By Gay Taylor

A missionary farewell program was held June 17th at the Redwood City ward chapel.

Landell Wallwork, 20, son of Oris and Tena Wallwork, who has been called to serve in the Western States Mission with headquarters at Denver.

The young missionary is in this years graduating class at the College of San Mateo, where he studied for a teaching career in science and coaching. He played right field on the college baseball team, and was athletic director at the Redwood City Ward the past three years. He has served as assitant secretary to the Aaronic Priesthood, and last summer was a student stake missionary.

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REDWOOD CITY WARD

Reorganizations Completed

By Gay Taylor

The Redwood City Ward Sunday school was reorganized, various officers of other organizations were installed, and two stake missionaries were called, in recent personnel changes.

The following officers and positions were filled:

Sunday School superintendent, Dayne Alsop; counselors, Raymond Varney and Kay Voyce. Junior Sunday School coordinator, Marcelle Weaver.

First counselor for Primary, Marilyn McFie.

Ward teaching supervisors, Stanley Reynolds and Edwin L. Ringwood.

Relief Society: work leader, Ellen McDonald; magazine representative Ruby Elwood.

Stake missionaries, Billie Trammell, Carl Wilcox.

Assistants in genealogy: George Rose, Marlin Wallwork.

Third quorium of elders: Howard Lund, president; Richard Harris and Edwin L. Ringwood, counselors.

Robert Gentry was set apart as first counselor to the Redwood City elder's group leader.

Stake Missionaries

Anthony Lewis Terranova, 2 May 1954; Edwin George Brown, 1 August 1954;Adeline Ellen Countryman, 7 November 1954; Theda Daisy Farnsworth, 7 November 1954; George Lynn Grubb, 7 November 1954; and William Claude Moore, 14 August 1955.

Baptisms

Dec. 30, 1955: Neil Kent Brown, Cathy Louise Marshall, Jordan Thomas Williams.

Feb. 4, 1956: Larry Dale Williams, Alice Bevington Williams, Gayle Loren Snowden.

March 3: Raymond William Woods, Sara Louise Taylor.

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Palo Alto Youth Return From Trek

The Palo Alto Stake Lesser Priesthood trek to the California Southland was completed for 151 young men and their leaders in late June without a mishap.

Visited was the Los Angeles Temple, Knott's Berry Farm and fabulous Disneyland.

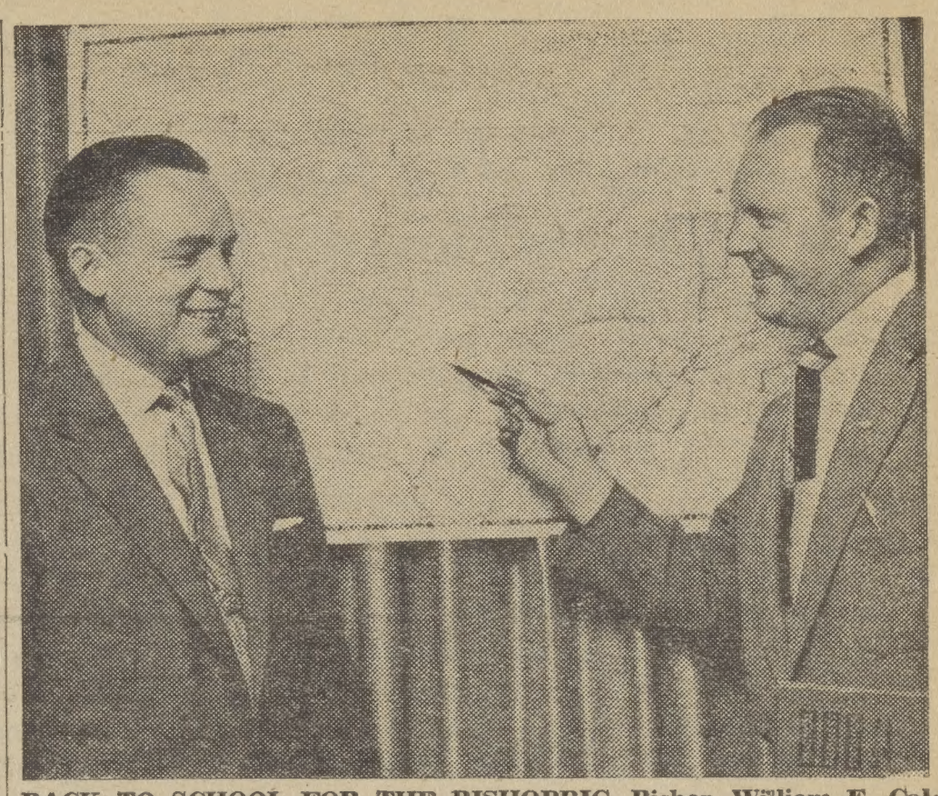
REDWOOD CITY WARD

Two In Bishopric Back to School

Two members of the Redwood City (California) ward bishopric have been honored by their respective companies by receiving scholarships for special executive training. Bishop William R. Callister is receiving training in operations research at Case Institute of Technology, Cleveland, Ohio, and First Counselor William Stanford Durrant will attend three resident summer sessions at the Graduate School of Credit and Financial Management at Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire.

Operations research, Bishop Callister reports, is a new philosophy of business control that involves the application of mathematical formulas to such problems as warehouse location, market and popu- the allocation of jobs and materials to specific machines. In the past, this has been largely a matter of guesswork and whim, but now an electronic programmer and computer will analyze a many as 600 factors of a business problem and produce the correct answer for optimum results.

Brother Durrant's course of study, at Dartmouth, provides advanced management training for seasoned credit and financial executives, covering such subjects as problems of credit and financial management, development of executive abilities, management policies and functions, economic and business conditions, economics of money and credit, and current trends in marketing.



BACK TO SCHOOL FOR THE BISHOPRIC. Bishop William E. Callister of the Redwood City (California) ward, (right), discuss school plans with his first counselor, William Stanford Durrant. Both men have been chosen by their respective companies for special executive training, Bishop Callister at Case Institute or Technology, Cleveland, Ohio, and Brother Durrant at the Graduate School of Credit and Financial Management, Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire. (See accompanying story.)

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Richard B. Sonne counselor in the Palo Alto Stake presidency was born in Logan, Utah, Feb. 26, 1913 where he attended High school and then the Utah State Argicultural College from which he graduated in 1934 with a bachelor of science degree. On Sept. 5, 1939 he married the former Norma Hanson; the same year he received a master of business administration degree from Stanford University Graduate School of Business.

His employment in the business world consists of three years in the secretary-treasurer office at Utah State A. C.; as a research associate at Stanford on a special study "Merchandise Availability in Utah." He is presently employed as manager, financial and sales accounting division, California Packing Corporation.

Since moving to Palo Alto in 1942, Richard has been an active part of this stake, serving first as counselor to the bishop of Palo Alto Ward, then as bishop. He is now second counselor of President Haight in the Palo Alto Stake presidency. He was ordianed a high priest by Elder Clifford E. Young.

LDS Track Team Goes To Europe

A trip to Europe will be made by members of the Brigham Young University track team in July, traveling by air. They will compete in Britian France and Ireland and several other countries. This BYU team has swept to the intermountain championship for several years consecutively.

They also competed in the NCAA and AAU meets in California in June.

The "Y" golf team have also done well this year, snaring their second skyline championship this spring.

The Kia Oro Club at BYU will tour thru Missouri and five other states this summer performing songs and dances of the Maori people. The tour is sponsored by the Northern States Mission.

A San Francisco State College dean of education will teach at the BYU summer school session.
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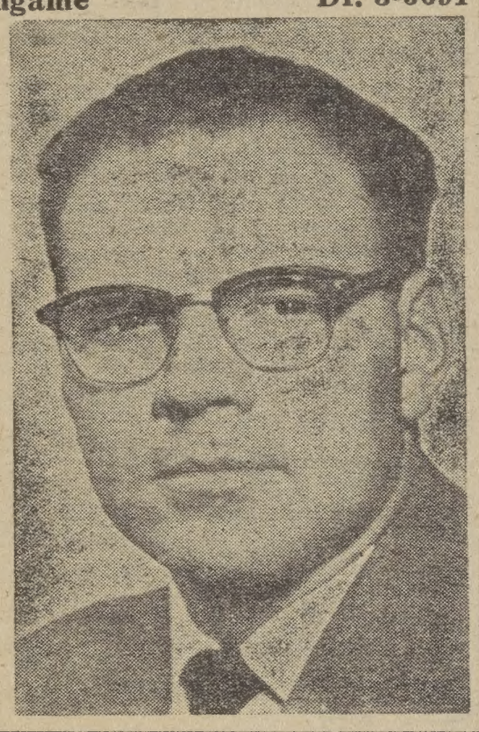

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July, the Month of the Honor of the High Calling of Patriot and Pioneer!

July brings again the "Glorious 4th," memorializing that day in 1776 when American Patriots pledged their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor to the immortal Declaration of Idependence. But July also gives us July 24 and July 31, memorializing respecively the Utah Pioneers who dared to found for their outcast families new homes in the midst of the Great American Deseret, and the Ship Brooklyn Pioneers who, in order to join their dispossessed people moving overland dared a sea voyage far more dangerous than the Pilgrim Fathers faced.

Editorial

It is fitting that we thus honor these noble founders of our heritage and ask ourselves, In what does the honor and high calling of these American Patriots and Pioneers con sist?

The honor and high calling of the Patriots of '76 lie in their devotion to that dignity of the human spirit, called love of liberty. They cried, "Give me liberty of give me death." They wrote in blood the eternal truth that "all men are created free equal."

The honor and high calling of these Pioneers lie, as the honor of the Mayflower Puritans lay, in undying devotion to that other dignity of the human spirit called liberty to worship God.

The glory of the American Patriots of 1776 stands out in greater relief because the ominous dark background that then threatened their lives, their sacred honor and their fortunes. References is made to the armed might and the bitter spirit of the British crown government.

The glory of the Mormon Pioneers of July 24 also stands out in bolder relief because of the stark dangers in their day of Indians, rivers, mountains, deserts, and starvation in front of them, and merciless, murderous, armed mobs behind.

All this is a mighty challenge to our generation to go forward daily unholding, against all intimidation and sinister compromises, free and equal opportunity for all under law; and to continue true to the faith that our fathers have cherished against the spiritual darkness of our generation.

Wedding Bells

Mission Ward. In Mission Ward chapel Miss Joan Marie Fagnani was married to Mr. Roger T. Lefler May 26, the ceremony being performed by Bishop Joseph Harper. A reception at Forrest Lodge was held for the popular young couple.

Redwood City Ward. Lewis Dale Clark and Diane Bodily, 22 January 1956.

Oakland 4th. Marjorie Paine was married to Jay Clawson April 10 in the Salt Lake Temple and after their honeymoon had a reception in the Hayward Ward Chapel.

Alameda. Patricia Orr and Paul Hunter were married at Grantsville, Utah June 16th.

SHOWERS: **Alameda.** A bridal shower honoring Donna Hughes was given by Nyle Sevears, Gayleen Bincent and Maxine Grow June 25th.

WHAT SAITH THE LORD?

Doctrine and Covenants 2:1-3:
Words spoken by Moroni to Joseph Smith:
"Behold, I will reveal the Priesthood by the hand of Elijah the prophet, before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord.

And he shall plant in the hearts of the children the promises made to the fathers, and the hearts of the children shall turn to their fathers.

If it were not so, the whole earth would be utterly wasted at his coming.

What Say Ye?

Let questions and answers suffice?

I. By whose hands were the sealing-power keys to be revealed?

By the prophet Elijah, who as a translated person had bestowed his keys by laying hands on Peter, James and John on the Mount of Transfiguration, and came in 1836 to do the same upon modern apostles.

II. For what specific purpose was this authority designed?

To effect, through uniting hearts eternally as between the living and the dead, and also living couples, certain promised blessings, including exaltation to eventual godhood.

III. Why would the earth be utterly wasted otherwise?

Because it and its inhabitants would not have the requisits glory to endure the presence of the Lord in the fulness of his glory. Futhermore they would have merited this fate because the Father's ultimate purpose in the whole scheme of the eternities would have been frustrated, namely to "bring to pass the immortality and eternal life of man," meaning ultimate exaltation to godhood powers, that " as God is man may become."

My Testimony

By Mabel B. Liddell

"Thou shalt go to the house of prayer and offer up thy sacraments upon my holy day; For verily this is a day appointed unto you to rest from your labors, and to pay thy devotions unto the Most High . . . And on this day thou shalt do none other thing . . . that thy joy may be full." D. & C. 59; 9-13.

The commandment above is clear and specific—yet as human beings we continually excuse ourselves for slight infringement—always to our own detriment. We could well profit from the vigorous testimony in this regard, given at our June Stake Conference by Dr. Milton H. Brinton, Ass't Chief of Surgery at the U.S. Marine Hospital in San Francisco. He is now serving as president of the Chinese Branch.

"I took my medical training at McGill University in Montreal Quebec, Canada. The year I entered, there were three thousand applicants out of which one hundred twenty were chosen. Of those accepted only seventy graduated so you may well imagine the keenness of competition.

Human Anatomy

The most difficult course of our first year's work was Human Anatomy, and it was the cause of most of the eliminations. Once a student failed in this subject he was out of medical school for good, because other schools would hardly accept him. McGill University gives but one final examination at the end of a full year's work. It comprises a three-hour written test and an oral examination before several doctors. In a mid-year examination given only to show the students personal standing, I had received one of five A's given, so I felt some confidence as we approached the year's end. I studied consistenly and every day.

Our final examination was to be given on Monday morning. The Sunday previous I arose and dressed as usual to go to church where I was serving as Sunday School superintendent. Our conference was being held on this particular day. I had filled a mission and had never studied on Sunday, in fact I felt very much against it; but standing there all ready for church, I realized that every other one of the one hundred twenty students would be studying all day long for this most crucial examination.

Went to Library

I changed my clothes and went to the library where I studied for eight or nine hours, missing all of my church meetings.

There were five questions given in our written examination, all difficult and each counted twenty points. A grade of 70 was required to pass. I completed what I considered to be a good paper and went out into the lobby to discuss the questions with other students. **It was only then that I realized I had completely mis-read three of the five questions and erroneously answered all three! None of the questions I had studied all day Sunday had been asked in that examination.**

I felt terrible! I felt that it was the end for me. Five years of hard study had been wasted in my mis-reading this, the most important examination of my life.

Before Dr. Martin

The oral examination was given a few days later. I was to appear before Dr Martin, my professor of anatomy. He was a religious man and knew of my mission. We had discussed religious views on many occasions. He had great respect for the two Mormon boys at McGill. (The other was Robert Walker, who recently married Barbara Benson.) He looked at me searchingly and asked, "What on earth happened to you in the written examination,"

I explained fully what happened, that I had mis-read three questions, not evaded them. He was obviously perplexed, stating that he could understand mis-reading one question, but not three. He gave me a very stiff oral examination to thoroughly test my knowledge of the subject and not until later when the grades were published did I learn that he had passed me with a "C".

After that day I never studied on Sunday. I attended meetings and rested on that day and my grades progressively improved. I have now completed the equivalent of fifteen years of college and post-graduate training successfully and am certified by the American Board of Surgery: **all without any Sunday study.**

DeVere Baker Seeks Lecture Platform And TV to Help Liquidate Obligations

Since much current curiosity and some criticism still exists among our readers regarding the present status of the two rafts Lehi and their skipper, Mr. DeVere Baker of Petaluma, the Messenger feels it proper and only fair to report a recent interview we had with Mr. Baker. Let us add however, that the Messenger is acting merely as a reporter and nothing more. Each must form one's own opinion on any part of the interview.

Declaring his unchanging devotion to the Church and his earnest desire to inspire faith in the Book of Mormon message as the ultimate way to peace in the world, DeVere Baker spent the morning of June 21 in the office of the Messenger.

Mr. Baker is as brown as a berry as the result of the past month spent in Guatemala where he and two former Lehi II companions took colored movies for another moving picture short in the series "I Search for Adventure", a Hollywood production.

Prior to the trip southward, Mr. Baker had completed an extensive tour thru the Western States, lecturing and showing pictures on ancient American ruins and history before Rotary, Kiwanis and other service clubs, and also schools, colleges and church audiences.

The sponsor of the tour was one of the very largest automobile sales departments. Cities in Wyoming, Idaho, Utah and Nevada as well as in California were covered.

Liquidating Obligations

To the Messenger Mr. Baker declared that he is turning his present earnings towards liquidating his obligations and restoring the credit rating as it was when he operated two ship-building yards in San Francisco Bay.

He feels that tho he may have failed in some of his objectives, attempting to prove to the work the possibility of the ocean journey from Arabia to Central America thru the aid of ocean currents, and tho he has been denied the finances thru legitimate publicity channels which this proof would have afforded, yet his motives were honest, and his faith in his religion was and is sincere.

What the future holds for better fortune for this project no one can tell at present.

Like Galileo, who, when made to apparently retract his teachings, was heard to mutter under his breath, "The earth does still revolve, tho", so Mr. Baker feels that, tho he failed and has been forced by circumstances to keep silent for a while, he still has the scientific evidence from the oceanographers who advised him and says to himself, "Those ocean currents of water and wind still move from Arabia to America".

In Salt Lake City, thru the help of Richard Evans, the apostle, Baker enjoyed three long interviews in the office of Dr. Milton R. Hunter and received his permission to quote from "Ancient America and the Book of Mormon" which he and T. S. Ferguson wrote.

Here And There

By I. B. Ball

We attended the great MIA Dance-Music-Speech Festival in Sacramento on June2; hope all others enjoyed the day and that beautiful evening in the open air at the big stadium watching the near thousand manly youths and charming maidens dance, dramatize, and sing the theme of "The Happy Prince." These festivals will grow to be our greatest LDS presentations, excelling all others young peoples, entertainments.

Lawrence Sears was the perfect chauffeur for the occasion. We had time to visit the Sutter Museum, and the city park. We loved that balmy Sacramento climate, and the warmth. But they said it was pretty hot at rehearsals in the stadium.

The seats at the stadium were filled with "everybody from everywhere" in six stakes.

The leaders from Sacramento MIA and their stake presidencies were most efficient in their prearrangements for the whole affair.

The entire production was under the direction of the Sacramento MIA leaders, Raymond and Dada Crabbe, who she was forced thru an accident, to be absent that evening.

Of course the co-chairman for all MIA activities of an inter-stake nature in this region are Lorna C. Birchall, YMMIA president of San Joaquin Stake and Kirke M. Decker YMMIA president of Berkeley Stake.

Oakland Choir Concert

When we attended the Oakland Ward Choir Concert June 8 we went with the usual fair anticipation of enjoying a good entertainment of inspiring music. But we came away elated with a superperfect performance of many genuine artists. It's wonderful that such gifted ones are among us! Such as Donna Wall, Donna Turner Smith, Eva Schleich, Melissa Breuer, the harpist, Estherella Olszowka and Mrs. Phyllis Warnick the reader; and such choirstrs as Verna Johnson and such accompanist as Donna Carter. What an evening!

Billy Owens Piano Recital

Another affair that we attended with only mild anticipations was the piano recital of Billy Owens, sophomore student at Berkeley High, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Owens, choirister of Berkeley Second. But later we could scarely contain our delight at the mastery of that young man. You'll get an idea of the genius of the lad from just one side-line fact, namely, that he had memorized the entire program He had not even a shred of paper to guide him in playing ten pieces from master composers. And then he played with his teacher, the two-piano 40-page Concerto, G minor by Menddlssohn-and again without a sheet of music.

Mural Painting at Oakland 4th

We saw the unveiling of the largest mural oil painting that can be found in any LDS chapel we know of, or in the non-LDS churches in this area.

This unveiling took place at the new Oakland Fourth Ward chapel Sunday June 10, 1956. The mural is eight feet by twenty feet. It was done by an artist, Mrs. Beatrice, Ash of Alameda, a consistant prize-winner in numerous exhibits and fairs who became interested when contacted by Thora Bramwell, wife of Dr. A. K. Bramwell of Oakland Fourth. Thora is a student of art under Mrs. Ash.

Subject of the impressive mural is "ON the Way to Emmaus," and the setting of the three personages in the painting is a rustic one near a stream of water and on a tree-shaded road in Palestine.

The conference in Utah's Sanpete County was coming to a close. "Brother Jensen," said the stake president "Will you come to the stand and offer the benediction."

Immediately twenty-five men started toward the pulpit.

"I mean Brother Jens Jensen," the president apologized.

And six of the twenty-five sat down.

BERKELEY STAKE M.I.A. SINGERS from Berkeley Wards ready to enter bus for ride to June 1956 M.I.A. conference in Salt Lake City.

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MARTINEZ WARD

Primary Fetes Boy Scout, Four Girls

By Alva Mae Forsyth

Primary officers and teachers enjoyed a patio party at the home of Ruth Jackson . . . A tenderfoot investiture ceremony was held for Don Eklund and Arlin Turner, June 7. This ceremony was attended by the Treckker class and the boy's parents. Leona Owens of the Stake Board, Gib Harrison, Scoutmaster and Eldon Puckett, Primary advisor attended.

Robyn Merrilyn Foulk each received a book June 14 as a reward for 100% attendance at Primary during the school year. Primary regrets losing two of its workers, Venita Harrieth and Coleen Fechser.

Bob Perrins is home from a year at BYU. Joy Bradeen who also attended BYU has accepted a position with Time, Inc. in Chicago . . . Ronald Hughes was released from the Southwest Indian Mission May 25. Martinez Ward's other full time missionaries, Elder and Sister Welches are laboring in Polacca, Arizona.

Jim Scott Busby was blessed June 3 by his father, Jim Busby . . . Larry Kent is Jr. M-Men stake president. Carl Cook was recentiy ordained a priest.

Don Nelson is now athletic director of Mutual, and Nelson Wadsworth instructs the Priests class in the absence of Brother Jackson . . . Brother C. A. Fechser has gone into the service. Sister Coleen Fechser will reside in Midvale, Utah during his absence.

Glenn Harmon, Jr. Made Lieutenant In Air Force

Among the 1956 graduates from the Brigham Young University is W. Glenn Harmon, Jr., son of Stake Pres. W. Glenn and Mrs. Wanda Harmon of Berkeley. Three things have happened to W. Glenn Jr., this spring. One is this graduation, another is his marriage in the Salt Lake Temple to a lovely bride, and the other is his commission as a Lieutenant in the Air Force.

He will begin his service with Uncle Sam sometime in next January, we understand. In the meantime he and his bride will have somewhat of an entended honeymoon this summer, so to speak, since W. Glenn Jr., is to be assistant manager of famous Zion's National Park in Utah, and, of course will have the new bride with him.

Walnut Creek

Changes Made Ward Clerk, Auxiliaries

By Bonnie Clark

May 13, Max Greene, ward clerk, was released with a hearty vote of thanks from everyone May 13 and Harold Clark was sustained in his place. The two new assistant clerks are Donald Reed, and Richard Harline.

On May 27 more changes were made. In the Relief Society Sister Fern Christiansen was released along with her staff. Sister Elaine Jensen was sustained as president along with Lola Hamilton and Ruby Willert as counselors, and Elaine Pratt as secretary-treasurer. Elaine Smith was released and Oral Burrows was sustained in her place as Junior Sunday School co-ordinator.

On June 3 Katherine Weeks was released and Viva Barney sustained as second counselor to Val Shields in the Primary. In the Genealogy Committee Vinal Mauss was released to work on the Stake Genealogy committee and Kenneth Krey was sustained as president with Robert G. Larsen Sr. and Lester Swayse as his counselors.

Charles Finell was released and Hurley Pratt sustained as the new district mission president.

Hi and welcome back from the BYU and the U. of Utah; Beora Snow, Diane Sumsion, Evelyn Smith, Elaine Ranker and Anne Lee Smith. We hear that Elaine Ranker will be leaving us soon to go back to Boston to finish her nurse's training.

Our ward was represented in the mixed choir and girls' chorus at June conference.

June 9th was the last day of seminary for the year. Many thanks to Brother Holbrook for his wonderful work with the students.

joint Pot Luck Dinner of Walnut

June 29th was the night of the Creek and Pleasant Hills M.I.A. under the chairmanship of Mary Lou Harline.

NWAF Expedition

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era around the time of Christ.

When the rains end in October, 1956, the Foundation will send in a large crew of from fifty to one hundred men to undertake large-scale excavations of this highly promising locale. Tom says, "There are so many ancient remains in the zone that it will take intensive effort to exhaust the possibilities of this one location—and if we are blessed with good fortune, important discoveries may be made the first year—who knows but the Lord."

Samples of the pottery sherds were brought home by the Fergusons and are being sent to the distinguished non-Mormon archaeologists who act as advisors to the Foundation. The sherds will be examined by Dr. A. V. Kidder and Edwin Shook of the Carnegie Institution, Dr. Gordon Willey of Harvard University, Dr. Gordon Ekholm of the American Museum of Natural History and by Dr. M. Wells Jakeman of the BYU. Date determinations will be made at the Physics Department of Columbia University from two specimens of ancient radio-active carbon brought out by Brother Ferguson on this late trip.

The New World Archaeological Foundation is doing something suggested by the Prophet Joseph Smith, "comparing the ancient cities of Mexico and Central America with those of the Book of Mormon." The work is proving of importance to the professional archaeological world was well as to the Mormons.

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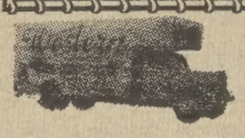

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This call in Pittsburg to improve upon ones talent of a dollar and make it earn more, is given a Scriptural basis by refering to the Savior's parable of the talents. You remember the story in Mattew 25.

The Lord commended the servants who improved upon their talents and brought back an increase, while he chided the servant who hid his one talent in the ground so as not to lose it and so produced no increase.

Great is the activity in Pittsburg especially in some guarters! Ingenuity is being developed such as the world has scarcely ever seen before upon the face of the whole earth.

What thrifty money-makers these Pittsburg saints are coming to be-at least in grandiose dreams of great profit!

And all for the new Berkeley-Oakland Meeting and Recreational Center. It is wonderful what a talent challenge can do to otherwise staid and calm people!

A little girl who had been scolded more than ever by a very stern aunt with whom she was spending a few months prayed one night and was heard to say:

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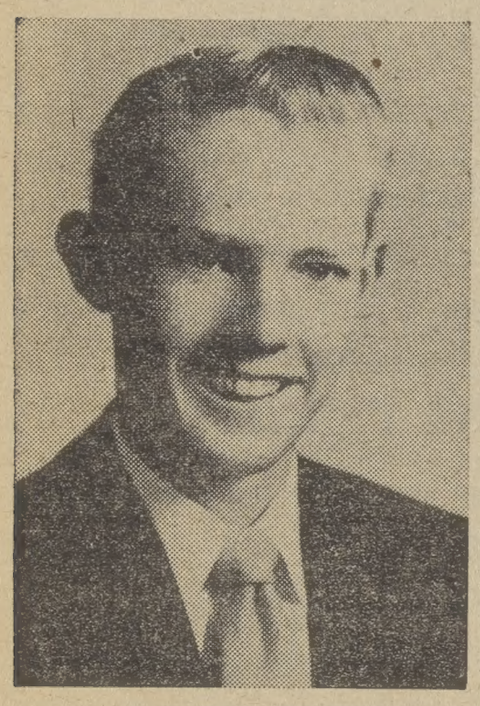

J. LeROY BROWN
. . . can display a framed certificate of a $250 high school scholarship award and a letter granting him a four-year scholarship at USC.

BERKELEY WARD

Two Berkeley Men Graduate From Medical College

Richard Huish and Lee Adams are now degree holding MD's, Dick from the U.C., and Lee from Stanford. Seems but yesterday that they were in the ward as "Cal" students. Proud of you both! They now face internship before hanging out name plates.

Much traveling among the members lately. Heard that Blackie (Fred) Huish and Biillie (William T.) Hicken had been in Victoria and those parts in early June. In spite of the rains they both like the town and its parks, and all the vegetation.

Yosemite Park was the vacation spot for a few days for the Jarmans and the Bramwells. Mighty towering walls and full-flood water falls again impressed the brethern, it seems.

Clyde Summerhays

Clyde Summerhays was the surprise guest at the high priests and the Gospel classes Sunday, June 17. Clydt, the former warder and Oaklander, the tenorvoiced song bird, the beginning Beneficial agent, is now the big boss over all that company' agencies and likes it and is greatly liked in turn. We all love that man.

Von Ellsworth was telling at church about the great impression made on the State Farm Breau sessions in the Cow Palace by Cleon Skousen. Bro. Skousen talked once in our ward in behalf of the BYU where he has been in personnel and public speaking and debating coach work. Now he capitalizes on his prior FBI work and becomes the police chief in Salt Lake.

Doctor Malcolm Merrill, senior Aaronic priesthood teacher and Calif. State Director of Public Health, has undergone surgery, we hear, for removal of a tumor in one of the salivary glands. Was at home again in mid-June when this was written. All pray for his speedy recovery.

Dr. Don Merrill

Dr. Don Merrill, son of Malcolm and Thelma Merrill, spent a ten-day vacation in the West and appeared at Sunday School June 17 with his pretty wife. Don has been at Boston but now will spend two years in residency at the Public Health Hospital in New York.

Anna Ellsworth and Von T. opened their lovely home on LeRoy Street for the beautiful wedding reception in honor of Janet Ellsworth and Leon Hinckley. Everybody attended. It was nice seeing Heber and Mirian Ellsworth again, coming from their Sacramento home. Heber's work for the state agriculture department goes on well, we hear.

Members of the ward will remember A. D. Bowdin, the convert, who worked at St. Mary's high school as a costodian. Well, he now is in similar work at the great Masonic Home for 376 aging men

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Rodeo Ward.

Reception Held For The Milton Browns

By Una Ellsworth

A reception for Sister and Brother Milton Brown (nee Virginia Kersey) was held in the Martinez Ward on June 11. The young couple were married in the Salt Lake City Temple on June 4. They make their home in Martinez where Milton is employed at Shell Oil Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd John McKay, former Rodeo Ward members who resided in Pinole, have announced the marriage of their youngest daughter Rina Victoria McKay to Franklin Daniel Stobbe on the 23 of June in the Martinez Ward. Bishop T. Cleon Fitt of Rodeo Ward officiated.

A reception followed. The newlyweds will make their home in Denver, Colorado, where Mr. Stobbe is stationed with the U.S. Army.

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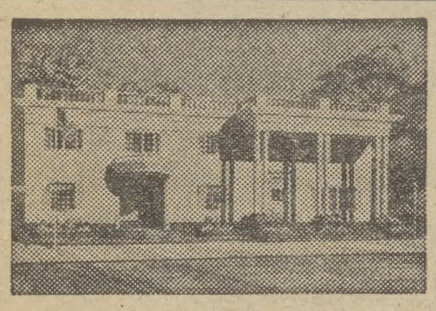

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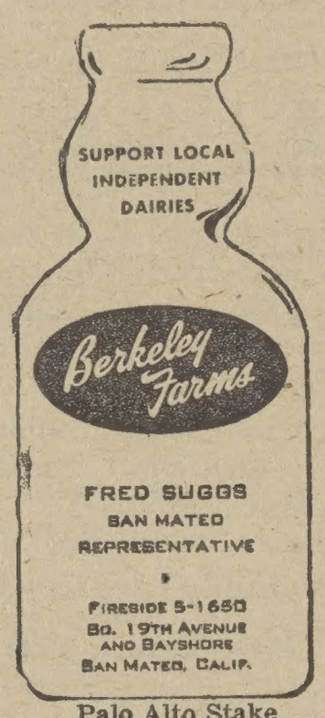

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BERKELEY SECOND WARD

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Several young people from our ward sang at June Conference. They traveled by bus and some with their parents. What a wonderful opportunity they had enjoyed attending this MIA conference and be a part of these youth choruses.

The Relief Society wish to remind you that their next meeting will be Thursday, July 12, at 10 a.m. Sister Ida Holmes will give the social science lesson. Start sewing for the annual bazaar. Each woman contributes hand-made articles.

Marlene Ruth Pirsco was blessed by Richard W. Lyman. Terry Shirley is the new secretary of the Sunday School. She is a recent convert and will be a fine asset to this organization. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Watkins, Jr. (father and mother of Margaret Owens) and Mr. and Mrs. William W. Owens (father and mother of Dick Owens) visited with this fine family. Margaret's father is the patriarch of Mt. Logan Stake while Dick's father is mayor of Logan.

The officers, teachers and families of the Sunday School enjoyed a picnic at Cordonices Park on the 27th of June. A good time!

It's good to see Ronnie Gray and Carol Thulin back with us after recent automobile accidents.

Thank You For Thanking Us, Sister Markham

You see, dear reader, once in a while, there comes an encouraging word which kinda renews our faith and boosts our hope that perhaps our nine readers are still sticking by us.

Such a word came the other day from Mrs. Bee Markham, wife of former Bishop Ira J. Markham who jointly are sponsoring a Special Fireside, in their own home, for unattached Latter-day Saints over 25.

And furthermore, dear reader, in case you are interested in what this kind lady said in letter we quote in part:

"The front page feature in the Messenger about the Fireside brought response in phone calls and personal appearances from San Lorenzo, San Mateo, San Francisco, Oakland, Berkeley, Alameda, and ElCerrito people that otherwise would not have been reached. Altogether 42 attended. Sucn a wonderful, enthused group. They have outgrown our home and will meet in the Concord Ward Chapel July 1, and have a fun night July 7, a patio party and record nite.

Rodeo Ward.

Death Claims G. E. Fullmer

By Una Ellsworth

Glen E. Fullmer of Delta, Utah, 26 years of age and a full time missionary in Rodeo and Northern California area four years ago, died with cancer in a Salt Lake City hospital in May.

Dayton Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard L. Smith, former residents of Rodeo, now residing in Vallejo, has spent a 30 day leave with his parents and friends. Young Smith has returned to Kaiserlautern, Germany where he is stationed with the U.S. Air Force.

The Relief Society held its regular and last meeting for the season at the El Sobrante Improvement Club the last day of May. The ladies gathered for an informal party honoring Sister Elsie Smith, who now makes her home in Vallejo. A chicken dinner was served. The ladies presented Sister Elsie with a gift of luggage.

Friends will remember the Lloyd John McKay family, members of the Rodeo Ward and former residents of Pinole. They now reside in Japan where Brother Mckay is in the Civil Intelligence Department of the U.S. Army.

Berkeley Stake Calendar

Jul 10 Wed Girls' Summer Camping—Liahona Campsite.
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Jul 14 Sat Stake General Priesthood Meeting—Berkeley Chapel.
Jul 21 Sat 9 a.m. Pioneer Day Celebration with Oakland Stake.
Jul 30 Mon 7:30 p.m Stake M.I.A. Leadership Meeting—Walnut Creek.
Aug 3 Fri 9 a.m. Annual Dist. A. Summer Dance with all Bay Area Stakes Richmond Civic Auditorium—Richmond, California
Aug 4 Sat 2 p.m. M-Men—Gleaner Picnic and Treasure Hunt—Cordornices Park
Aug 10 Fri Bee Hive Girls-BoyScouts Campout—Stake Farm.
Aug 11 Sat Bee Hive Girls-Boy Scouts Campout—Stake Farm.
Aug 14 Tues Junior M-Men & Junior Gleaners Moonlight Dance
Aug 25 Sat Stake Quarterly Conference—Berkeley Chapel.
26 Sun 10 a.m. Stake Quarterly Conference—Richmond Auditorium.
7:30 p.m. Stake Quarterlp Conference—Berkeley Chapel.
Aug 30 Thurs 7:30 p m. Annual Stake M.I.A. Institute—Concord.
31 Fri 7:30 p.m. Annual Stake M.I.A. Institute—Berkeley.

SPECIAL NOTE The first Saturday and the third Friday of each month are reserved for Ward activities. Stake Activities will not be scheduled on these dates. This arrangement is approved by the calendar committee and Ward Bishops.

Youth Wins Two Scholarships

LeRoy Brown, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jay (Joseph) L. Brown of Claremont Ward has recently won three things that have made him very happy and his parents and friends very proud of him.

First he was awarded the junior achievement scholarship grant of $250 by the American Institute of Accountants at a banquet which he was invited to attend in the Leamington Hotel in Oakland June 7.

Second, he was given a framed copy of this junior achievement award properly signed by the president of the Institute of Accountants.

But the third thing that has made LeRoy happy is the letter that came to him June 18 from the University of Southern California stating that he had been granted a $400 scholarship in that University beginning in September of this year. And the best thing about this matter is that the scholarship will continue for four years if he makes good grades year by year.

That LeRoy will make the grades is pretty well assured by his past performances for he was graduated from Berkeley High this spring with a standing of fifth in scholarship in his class of about 500. And before that when he was graduated from Willard Junior high school he was high honor student of his class. Moreover while he was still in LeConte elementary school he was at the top of things and was chosen to lead the parade of all the city's junior traffic police.

But best of all is LeRoy's record in his church work from the beginning. He had served to the best of his ability as president of both his deacon's and his teacher's quorum and now is a priest in Claremont Ward, Berkeley Stake. His father is ward clerk. Both his parents have always been in the thick of church activities, humble Latter-day Saints.

Jay is planning to become a certified public accountant.

Two Girls

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The Relef Society held their closing social June 12. There was a splendid display of Japanese goods with a very interesting lecture by Ona Patterson who spent two years in Japan.

Babies Blessed: Keven Edward McBride.

Confirmed Members: Joseph Alfred Eliason.

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Rodeo ShowsPhenominal Growth, Tripling Ward Population Since 1950

What ward may be largest in Berkeley Stake in 1960? Rodeo had a humble beginning but see what is happening.

Growth of Rodeo Ward. (Figures taken as of December, the 31st, of 1952, 360; 1953,383; 1954, 392; 1955, 472; 1956, 504 (March 31).

The Ward is growing rapidly and may become one of the large wards in the Stake.

The proposal presented to the ninety-five members of the Church in Rodeo area, July 22, 1950 by President W. Glenn Harmon was approved and Rodeo became a branch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Berkeley Stake of Zion.

Members of the Berkeley Stake presidency were present, Reed S. Nelson was sustained as branch president.

Jack E. Binkerd succeeded Brother Nelson as branch president and served from September, 1951, until April of 1952, when he moved from the Ward. Ruel L. Wanlass then became branch president with counselors Vernal M. Horn and Wesley J. Pryor.

Rollingwood, El Sobrante, and part of San Pablo were added to the Rodeo Branch Sept. 9, 1951.

November 15, 1953, in quarterly conference assembled, Rodeo Ward was organized with T. Cleon Fitt as bishop and Vernal M. Horn and Wesley J. Pryor as counselor, and Leo L. Stewart as ward clerk. Later Ruel L. Wanlass was sustained as financial ward clerk.

The original bishopric is still presiding over the ward with Clyde Redmon as ward clerk, C. Denton Brough as financial clerk and Billie G. Littlejohn as assistant ward clerk.

In 1954 the Rodeo Ward purchased a 5.26 acre plot of ground from the Standard Oil Company of California, at the intersection of Hilltop Drive and Santa Maria Road in El Sobrante as a ward chapel site, and payment in full of this purchase was made in early 1956.

Pioneer Day Inter-Stake Celebration

Oakland and Berkeley Stakes will join hands, hearts, and voices (feet will be along too, we opive) in a united observances of Utah Pioneer Day Saturday July 21 at the great Arroyo Viejo Park in east Oakland.

Families will begin to arrive from 9 a.m. an and enjoy fraternizing while the children romp and shout.

Food Booths are set to open at 12 noon.

The two-Stake Primary Parade assembles at 2 p.m. led by Heber Brown Jr. on his pony.

The Two-Stake baseball games gets underway at 3:30 p.m.

Further details to be announced later in each stake.

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The Cross Roads Of The West Are Really Crossing

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Fireside July 1 For Unattached From Any Ward

The Fireside in Concord for unattached members over 25 will meet Sunday July 1 at 9 p.m. in a special Concord Chapel room, having out-grown the home of the Markham's.

A fun nite is announced for July 7, a varied patio party and record, and refreshment nite.

Everybody from any ward in any stake will be cordially welcomed.

Two Men

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at Decoto. He called the editor by phone to have a talk the other evening and sends his greetings to all. He's been "pinch-hitting," he says, in some of the classes for those on vacations in Centerville Ward. Praises the great chapel they are ereacting there; will be completed in September, it appears.

Mayor of Logane

Mayor of Logan, William Owens (father of Richard W. Owens) and his wife, Clotilda were in Berkeley for a few days in mid-June and were entertained at the home of the I. B. Balls but stayed with son Richard W. and Margaret. The mayor and former stake president in Cache County is father also to Hazel Owens Ball. He and I. B. Ball and families were together in Richfield, Utah in their younger days, when "Dick" Owens was a little "nuisance" chap of around five years or less.

The ward is enjoying the presence of the young BYU students home from the "Y' for the summer. They made the June testimony meeting extra sweet. Our ward had a great contigent of young people go by bus to the June MIA conference to sing. Understand that the weather acted up and prevented an evening drams-dance festival in the stadium of the University.

Pleasant Hill

Movies, Dinners to Aid Building Fund

By Shirley P. Moore

Several outstanding evenings of entertainment are being planned to raise funds to meet our Ward's quota for the Inter-Stake center. The first of these is a family movie night on July 8, with the picture "Room for One More" plus cartoons and short subjects being shown. Equally interesting movies will be shown on August 3 and September 7, and our ward members are encouraged to invite friends and neighbors to participate in these family movie nights. The committee in charge of arrangements includes Daryl Dangerfield, chairman, Verna Axelgard, Mona McClurg, Jerry McClurg, Sally Gleason, and Woodrow Allred.

Another exciting event scheduled for the latter part of July will be a "Samoan Night", featuring Eddie Teo and his Samoans in a program of singing and dancing. The highlight of the evening will be the preparation and serving of an authentic "luau". Watch for announcement of the date.

In a recent sacrament meeting, the service pin award for Seagull Girls who have worked in the primary for at least three months since their graduation were presented to Sharon Carlson, Colleen Curtis, and Donna Cleveland. Larry Nichols and Raymond Andre were graduated from primary and accepted into our Boy Scout troop.

Welcome Home

Our Sunday School faculty is happy to welcome back Lela Kaufman, Alma Brown, and Florence Cleveland, all of whom have been on the sick list. Recent additions to the staff include Velda Coffin, chorister; Joanne Rhodes, secretary, and Joyce Henderson and Dewey Williams, teachers. The former secretary Myrna Carroll has accepted the position as Relief Society secretary.

James and Nita Peacock have become proud new grandparents with the arrival on June 18 of little Debra Ann, born to Dee Ann Dahlem. Daddy Eugene Dahlem is presently on military duty in Germany.

Bishop's Message

The Priesthood is the most important thing in the life of any man. Through the Priesthood we bring to our families the ordninances pertaining to eternity. Through the Priesthood we serve our fellowmen for their and our happiness. Through the Priesthood we are able to carry out our responsibilities in God's kingdom.

A wife can make no more important contribution to the lives of her husband and sons than to encourage them to full Priesthood activity. Help them to attend meetings on time. Urge them to participate in workdays when the Priesthood goes to the farm or works on the Chapel.

Priesthood activity will pay rich dividends in happiness to the entire family.

—Joseph Roy Hilton, Bishop

Hawaii Concert Most Delightful

The Hawaiian concert staged by the Berkeley Wards June 21 for the benefit of the stake center was an artistic triumph, and we hope a financial success.

The twenty-five artists, with an artistic Island background, put on the professional evening that only highly trained and practiced artists can do

The audience early sensed the high quality of the participants and responded with loud and continuous handclapping all during the rather long program in the Albany High gymnasium.

Great credit is due to the promotors of the affair. The only loosers were those who for any reason missed the lovely Hawaiian music, dancing, and quiet, sweet spirit.

It certainly pays to attend these Church functions at no more cost than a movie but where one meets all the dear saints once again and feels the good spirit over all.

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The other day just when we felt we had reason to wonder if all of our nine (9) readers had deserted us, here came a cheerful renewal from a sister away down in San Diego. (She formerly lived in Northern California) and these kind words:

"Thank you for a wonderful paper! To read your paper is like a visit "home." I especially enjoy the high caliber of your editiorials and reports of church news as concerns the growth of the Church. Kind regard."

Now, dear reader, do you see why a poor down-trodden editor though this was "awful nice?"

Vinal G. Mauss

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